

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace paragraph [0217] with the following. A mark up version of the replacement paragraph is provided in the Appendix hereto.

[0217] The case body 57a includes an internal space 570 of the same configuration as the electrode body 56. The case body 57a is open to a rear surface (surface on the opposite side to the opposing side of the other electrode 51) thereof. The electrode body 56 is removably received in the internal space of the case body 57a. As shown in FIG. 15, the dielectric case body 57a is provided with a protrusive end part 571 on a side of the opening thereof. The protrusive end part 571 is protruded relative to the electrode body 56. The end surface of the protrusive end part 571 of the case body 57a is blocked with the lid 57b. Owing to this arrangement, the entire surface of the electrode body 56 is covered with the solid dielectric layer composed of the case 57.

Please replace paragraph [0220] with the following. A mark up version of the replacement paragraph is provided in the Appendix hereto.

[0220] As shown in FIG. 15, the right plate of the left (first) case body 57a in which the left (first) electrode body 56 is received is thin at the upper side, thick at the lower side and formed at the intermediate part with a step. The left plate of the right (second) dielectric case body 57a in which the right (second) electrode body 56 is received is thin at the upper side, thick at the lower side and formed at the intermediate part with a step. Owing to this arrangement, the gas passage 50a between the first and second case bodies 57a, 57a is wide in width at the upper side and narrow in width at the lower side.